

Washington State Tour - East/Southeast

Starting in Spokane, Washington State's second largest city, this tour will showcase the best of our East/Southeast Region, including a small part of Idaho. You will experience the vast differences between metropolitan Spokane and the Hutterite colony near Marlin; between the dry, desert-like country in central Washington and the cascading water in Hell's Canyon.

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Itinerary:

DAY 1 ARRIVAL IN SPOKANE

Arrive in Spokane, WA by 5:00 pm. Your Tour Director will be available at the hotel from 1:00 - 6:00 pm to assist with information. Tonight, enjoy a welcome drink hosted by your Tour Director.

DAY 2 SPOKANE AREA SIGHTSEEING

This morning we travel west through the fertile hills of eastern Washington. Mid-morning we arrive at the Columbia River and Grand Coulee Dam. The Dam is one of the largest concrete structures in the world and has helped transform the desert of north-central Washington into a productive farming region. We will stop at a Hutterite colony for late lunch and a tour of their farm. Returning to Spokane late afternoon we have enough time to get ready for our sunset dinner cruise on Lake Coeur d'Alene. (B, L, D)

DAY 3 SPOKANE - RICHLAND

This morning you have time for a walk along the Spokane River Falls or a visit to Spokane's Smithsonian affiliated museum of living history of the Northern Plateau tribes. Next we leave Spokane behind and head in a southwesterly direction through wheat-covered hills toward the heart of Washington's wine country. The Tri-Cities consist of Richland, Pasco and Kennewick which straddle the Columbia and Snake Rivers. The abundance of water, volcanic soil and sunshine in the area produces some of the world's finest wines and we will attempt to introduce you to as many varieties as possible in the short time we tour this region. Late afternoon will be spent at wineries of this area followed by a delightful dinner. (B, D)

DAY 4 RICHLAND - WALLA WALLA

Only a short drive east brings us to Walla Walla. The Wine Spectator magazine's October 15, 2003 issue says Walla Walla Wineries' Merlot and Cabernet Sauvignons compare favorably with the rest of the New World. We'll find out! After touring many excellent wineries today as well as a tour of the Whitman Mission site, we will retire to the historic Marcus Whitman Hotel. (B)

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DAY 5 WALLA WALLA - CLARKSTON

Today we enjoy a lazy morning at the Marcus Whitman before leaving for Clarkston, approximately 2 hours to the northeast. Once there, we check in at our hotel and get ready for a jet-boat ride up the Snake River to Hell's Canyon. Included in this wonderful experience is plenty of wildlife along the steep hillsides and riverbanks, six-thousand-year-old petroglyphs and a nice prime rib and salmon dinner at Heller Bar Lodge.. (B, D)

DAY 6 CLARKSTON - SPOKANE

Our arrival in Spokane mid-day today will signal the end of our tour. Due to travel time from Clarkston, please don't schedule any flights from Spokane DAY 1 ARRIVAL IN SPOKANE before 4:00 pm Arrive in Spokene, W.A.by 6:00 pr******** Director will be evaluable at the

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